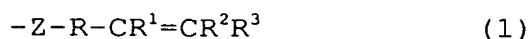


ABSTRACT

The present invention is concerned with a vinyl polymer having at least one group of the general formula (1) per molecule at the molecular chain terminus.



wherein Z represents an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom, a group of the formula NR' , R' represents a univalent hydrocarbon group containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms, or a bivalent organic group containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms, and R represents a carbonyl group, a direct bond or a bivalent organic group containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms; R^1 and R^2 are the same or different and each represents a hydrogen atom or a univalent organic group containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms, and R^3 represents an organic group containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms.

The present invention is further concerned with a curable composition comprising the above vinyl polymer.

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